

Claims

1. Apparatus for high volume, low cost photo finishing comprising:

an inkjet printer having a printing width greater than twice the width of a first print size, and at least equal to the width of a second larger print size;

a supply of continuous feed media;

an image processor connected to the inkjet printer for digitizing images to be printed and arranging the digitized images for printing in at least a 2x2 matrix of prints of at least two different sizes;

a cutter for cutting the continuous feed media into sheets, each sheet carrying the matrix of prints; and

a two-axis cutter controlled by the image processor and cutting the sheets into individual prints of at least two different sizes.

2. The apparatus of claim 1 comprising a laminator disposed between the inkjet printer and the two-axis cutter for laminating the sheets with a protective film of material.

3. The apparatus of claim 1 in which each matrix of prints comprises prints for a single customer.

4. The apparatus of claim 2 comprising a buffer between the printer and the laminator.

5. The apparatus of claim 1 in which the inkjet printer comprises a marking engine and a dryer.

6. The apparatus of claim 1 in which the supply of continuous feed media comprises a roll of media.

7. The apparatus of claim 6 in which the roll of media comprises a roll of paper.

